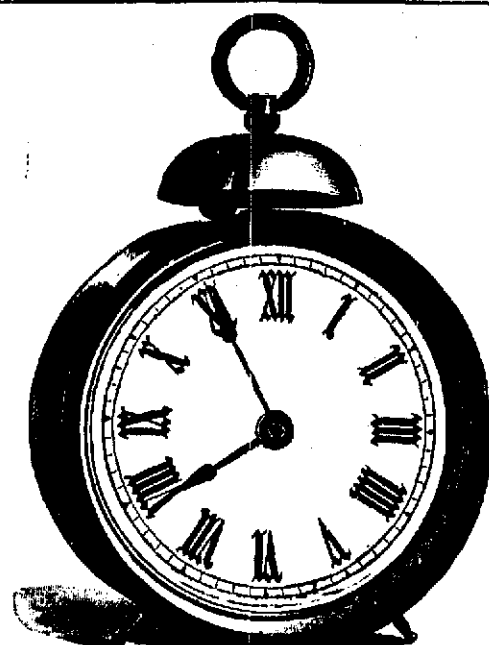


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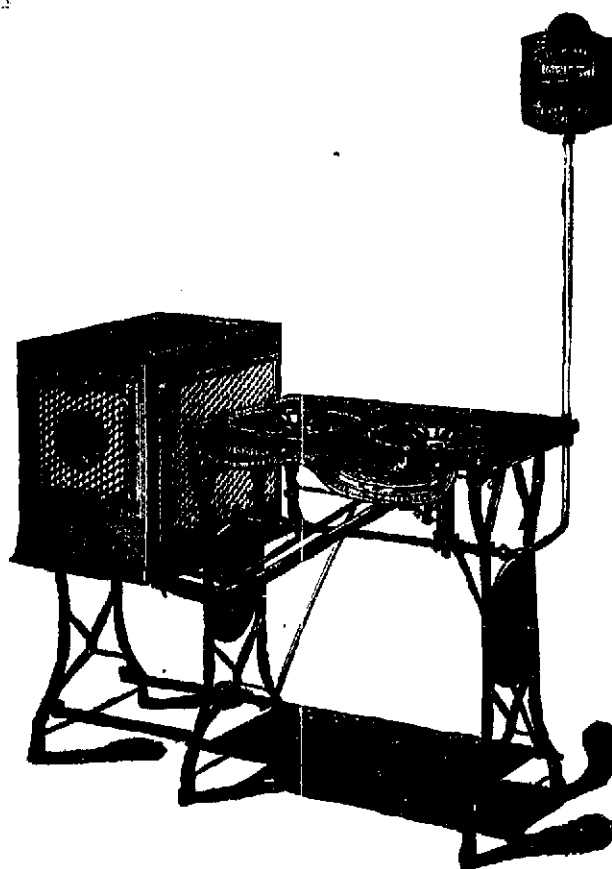
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FRIDAY EVE, APRIL 20, 1898.

LOCAL NEWS.

For dinner and tea sets, go to

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & Co's.

"ZITKA" next Thursday night.

CLEAN up in the yards and alleys.

BRIDE study this evening at the Methodist church.

WARMER to-day but there was a slight frost this morning.

THE brick-laying at the H. W. Fenton corner block is in progress.

THE ladies of the Presbyterian church are arranging to give an entertainment at the tabernacle early in May.

MANAGER FERGUSON is negotiating for the purchase of 400 of the tabernacle chairs and the scenery, for use at Oakland Park.

J. LITTLE & Co., in opera block, will provide you with reliable groceries, Edam cheese and nice vegetables.

THE Logan county board of supervisors stands 12 Democrats and 6 Republicans. George Wendell is chairman.

At all leading grocery stores you will find the popular White Loaf and Daily Bread flour.

WHEN all changes are completed, Mr. Perl will have a space 60x120 feet left in the tabernacle building to be used on festival and other occasions.

ALWAYS ask for the family favorite flour—White Foam—made by Hatfield & Co.

NEXT week Booth and Barrett will appear in Julius Caesar at Springfield and Bloomington. Best seats are selling at \$3.50. Will you go?

BUY stock feed to suit you at Niedermeyer's store on the mound.

PAT HUNT offered to pave Lincoln streets with brick at \$1.31 per square yard, with 10 per cent. off cash within 10 days; curbing at 57 cents per foot.

GIVE Knobs & Osborne a trial. They will sell you good groceries at the lowest living prices.

SHAKE Omelet's White Cross omelet, the best 5-cent omelet on earth.

OPERATIONS at the Decatur natural gas well will be resumed as soon as the State Brothers secure new men and machinery to prosecute the search.

THE Moore Bros. in Opera block deliver groceries to all parts of the city. Leave orders.

JUST in, a line of Henrietta Cloths, in all the new shades. See and price them. Big 18.

C. KNEVEL is putting up two new houses on East Cantrell street for the Ananiam brothers, near Mills & Starr's addition.

BROWN selecting an oil stove for summer use visit Lytle & Eckels' store, and see those improved home comforting inventions.

LACE Curtains and Curtain Net and Serim in every quality and at every price. Big 18.

SELMER stock and chicken feed ready for use at W. H. Shorb's place; also cut wood and kindling.

WILSON BAKER says he will have the four grounds if there is any law in the land, and Dan Culp says he will hold on if he has to take the case to the supreme court.

MONEY invested in a Haines Bros. or Everett piano is money saved. See those instruments at C. B. Prescott's music parlor.

TIX save gutting IXX, eight feet without a joint. Cull and examine, J. S. Hughes, 604 N. Water st. a14-d7

SAVE money by dealing with Hanks & Patterson, the South Water street grocers. A full line of fruits and vegetables on sale.

FOUR good second-hand cook stoves for sale cheap at W. F. Dwyer & Bro. a18-36

MONK new phaetons, buggies and surreys have been received at D. F. Hamsher's place on Wood street.

WE heard a young man remark that Barber & Baker had the nicest shoes in the city. Go and see them. a12-d7

OVERALLS worth 75c for 50c, at Austin's Bargain Store. South room, Gallagher Block. 19-d6w1

POLITICAL Calendar.

June 5—Democratic National convention, at St. Louis.

June 10—Prohibition National convention, at Indianapolis.

June 19—Republican National convention, at Chicago.

State, May 2—Republican State convention, at Springfield.

May 25—Democratic State convention, at Springfield.

May 22—Prohibition State convention, at Springfield.

Consensus, worth 75c for 45c, at Austin's Bargain Store. South room, Gallagher Block. 19-d6w1

Southern Land Excursions.

The Illinois Central R. R. will sell round trip tickets to Jackson, Tenn.; Aberdeen, Md.; and Annapolis, Md., Baltimore, Md., Washington, D.C., and New York, N.Y., at low rates, and will also sell tickets to the following cities, viz: April 24th, May 1st and 2nd, and June 5th. These are the lowest rates ever made to these points, and parties who desire to visit the south with a view of locating, now is the time, as fruit and all kinds of approaching maturity. For full information, circulars, excursion bills, and "Southern Homeseeker's Guide," apply to nearest coupon ticket agent, or the undersigned at Manchester, Iowa. April 15.

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BATHEE PROULIER.

A Bery of Decatur Young Ladies Remember Westbrooks Birthday.

Among all the peculiar happenings the Batheer has been called upon to chronicle, the one related below is perhaps a notch ahead of them all, everything considered. William E. Westbrook is a prisoner in the county jail condemned to die for the murder of William Gross at Blue Mound last summer. Westbrook was to have been hung on March 30th, but his attorneys obtained a supersedeas, serving as a stay of execution of sentence until the supreme court can hear the argument on the motion for a new trial in June next. When the verdict of death was given quite a number of people thought it was too severe.

Wednesday night fifteen young ladies participated in a rag-carpet party, and during the evening they paid a visit to the county jail, where they serenaded Westbrook, and in return the fair callers were serenaded by the prisoner. Yesterday was Westbrook's birthday anniversary. He received a basket of fruit, and with it the following note from his serenaders:

DECATUR, ILL., April 19, '98. MR. WESTBROOK:—Knowing that this is your birthday and that you are denied many pleasures, we, the ladies assembled here yesterday afternoon, desire to bestow on you this fruit as a token of our sympathy, and to wish you many happy returns of the day.

We hope that our visit will instill into your heart more hope and brighter thoughts, and that you will hereafter feel that there is a human feeling still existing in this world for the misfortunes of a fellow-being, and above all that there is a God in heaven who is still your friend, even though the world forsake you, and we are but following His teachings, for the Bible says: "Do unto others as you wish to be done by, for in much as you have done unto one of the least of these, my children, you have done it unto Me." Now hoping that we have helped to brighten at least one day of your life, we leave you with many kind wishes, and a hope of a brighter and happier future.

THE LADIES. It is not necessary to comment on this sentimental incident. The reader can draw his own conclusions.

The grand lodge officers of the Knights of Pythias failed to connect at the meeting of the local lodge last night, but there was a good meeting nevertheless, closing with a banquet at Emma's restaurant. Maras and Argenta lodges were well represented.

To-morrow the Democratic primaries will be held in the 10 districts in Decatur to elect delegates to the county convention to be held to-morrow at the court house.

Base Ball. Secretary Shilling went to Lafayette with the Decatur ball tossers to manage the four games.

Mike Hixley telegraphed yesterday that he would arrive in Decatur on April 30, to manage the home team.

The Washington club's new rules impose a fine of \$25 for the first drink, \$50 for a second, and \$100 for a third, and a black list for habitual drinking.

Francis Murphy, who is holding revivals at Louisville, turned his attention to the Louisville base ball club the other day, and every member of the team signed the pledge.

Sales of Real Estate. Lewis A. McKinnis to Ernest H. Jones, lot 25 in block 2, J. K. Warren & Co's addition, \$2,000.

Edwin B. Hale to the trustees of First Presbyterian church, quit claim to lot 2 in block 7, Bandy's addition, \$1,000.

Mary A. McMillin to the First Presbyterian church, quit claim to lot 3 in block 7, Bandy's addition, \$1,000.

Trustees of First Presbyterian church to William B. Chambers, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 7, Bandy's addition to Decatur, \$5,000.

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William T. Evans and W. L. Shellabarger to Albert Barnes, commencing at the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of 18, 16, 2 east, thence north to the southwest corner of block 2, Second Rolling Mill addition, thence east 2 chains and 46 links, thence south to the south line of said 40-acre tract, thence west to place of beginning, \$2,500.

Verdict for \$20,000. The jury in the suit of David S. Poterbaugh against the Adams Express Company for damages for false imprisonment were instructed at St. Louis yesterday, and after being out three hours and a half agreed on a verdict of \$20,000 for the plaintiff. The case grew out of the "Jim Cummings" express robbery on the "Frisco road" in 1886, when the robbers secured \$25,000. A year ago the three robbers, Wittrock, Haight and Weaver, were captured in Chicago in the winter of 1887, and \$4,000 of the stolen money was recovered. The man confessed, and operated the express messenger, David Poterbaugh, who had been held, and, as it seemed to the jury, bound by W. H. Danzell, the agent of the company, and Pinkerton's detectives.

In the Taylorville Republican of this week appears the following: "Mrs. Geo. P. Hart died at her late residence in this city, Tuesday morning at eight o'clock, of consumption, at the age of twenty-five. Mrs. Hart has been ailing since the sixth of February, but was confined to her bed only about ten days. She leaves a husband, two children and a large circle of relatives and friends to grieve over her departure. Her funeral occurred Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock from the family residence, the sermon being preached by Elder W. W. Wesden."

Last night at Amsterdam, N. Y., at a performance given by Pat Rooney, many Irish-Americans in the audience took exception to the sentiments expressed on the stage. Rooney was hissed, and not a few overdone eggs found their way to the stage. There was great confusion.

Removal. Peter Perl, the undertaker, is now in his new quarters at the old tabernacle building, which has been refitted in fine style. New stock, plenty of room and light. apr 19-d6w1

Extraordinary Bargains. Is the heading of a new advertisement of Linn & Scruggs in another part of this paper, and one patent fact in their announcement is the character is that they always mean, and do what they say. Those who wish to buy the best goods, at low prices, will find them at apr 19-d6w1 LINN & SCRUGGS.

If you buy any clothing, inspect Cheap Charley's. daw

Gentlemen, take your spring suits to Children's Dye House and have them put in order for spring wear. 227 South side City Park. 19-22w

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Ed. G. Allen, who represented Decatur at the state meeting of Highway Commissioners at Springfield, got home last night.

S. B. Knapp, business manager of the Daniel Boone combination, a company of 35 people, including Indians, is in the city. The show will be here April 27th.

Rev. George F. Seymour, Bishop of Springfield Episcopal Diocese, expects to leave about May 10th for Europe, where he will remain several months.

Arthur McDaniel, one of the young attorneys of Chicago is in the city to-day. He has been in West Virginia on legal business, and spent last night with his father in Wheeling township. He will leave for Chicago to-night.

Senator Johns was in Chicago yesterday. He makes the declaration that the big town is so full of candidates that one cannot throw a base ball in the rotunda of any of the principal hotels without carrying two or three aspirants for official positions.

Miss Abbie Nebeker, of Indianapolis, and of John E. Borer, who in the city yesterday on her way to Quincy. Miss N. is assistant state Sunday school missionary for the Baptist church, and makes a specialty of Kindergarten instruction.

This city council will meet to-night to canvass the vote cast on Tuesday and to transact general business. It will be the last rally for Harwood, Muzzy and Moffitt, the retiring aldermen.

Musical College Recital. The following excellent programme was given at the Musical College last night in the presence of a large company of patrons and friends. It was the thirteenth recital of pupils of the institution:

Mrs. Tans. Miss Jessie Park. Heningtons

Last Night. Miss Sallie Sprague. Kjerulf

Polka Mazurka. Miss Laura Palmer. Streetbro

The Fairy Tale. Miss Myrtle Wheeler. Kullak

The Clock. Miss Myrtle Wheeler. Kullak

Violin Solo. Miss Myrtle Wheeler. Kullak

Study for left hand, Op. 43, No. 1. Hummel

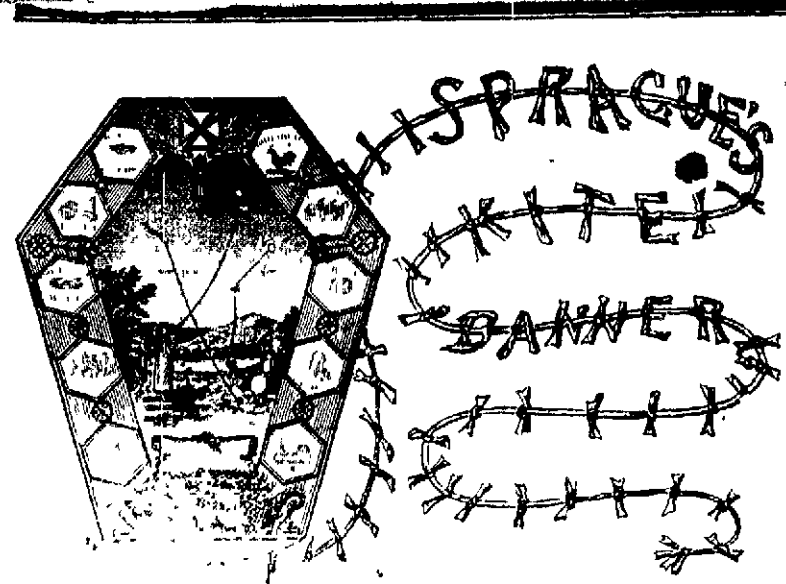
Vocal Duet. "The Land of the Swa. Masal

Misses Lizzie Knapton and Florence Adams. Wellespie

Wellespie. Miss Sophie Grindol. C. Guritt

The Storm Wind. Mr. Edwin Ewing. Evers

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New Styles and Fine Fitting Pantaloon.

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DO BE WISE!
and let us help you to save money. Do be wise and come and see our beautiful new styles. Do be wise and get the benefit of the lowest prices yet reached for honest goods. Do be wise and the wisest thing you can do is to get your share of these bargains right away, quick. They won't last long—such splendid attractions as are now offered in our big new stock of spring and summer goods, consisting of the best selections and latest styles of boots and shoes, slippers, rubbers, overcoats. Big bargains; royal bargains all through the stock.

POWERS & HAWORTH,
apr10-d&wz Opposite Opera House.

Vehicles.
One would have to travel a long distance before finding a larger or more select stock of vehicles than that now at the Spencer, Lehman & Co.'s store rooms. There are handsome and serviceable buggies, road carts, phaetons and spring wagons in various styles and makes, and no one could fail to be suited either in style or price.

Anyone in search of a first-class cooking apparatus can find what they want in the "Home Comfort" Range sold by Morehouse, Wells & Co. One of the best housekeepers in the city says: "We did not know what home comfort was until we saw a 'Home Comfort' range in the house."

The largest and best selected stock of Farm Machinery, Field and Garden Seeds, Buggies, Road Carts, Spring Wagons, Farm Wagons, etc., etc., in Central Illinois, at Spencer & Lehman's, corner of Wood and Main streets. Everybody who intends buying goods in their line will find it for their interest to call and examine their stock before buying.

For style and neat appearance, those Kangaroo shoes at Barber & Baker's boots them all, and it does not cost a fortune to buy them, either.

A big line of Sample Hats, at Austin's Bargain Sale, at 104 South Main Street, Gallagher Block.

The Malleable Iron Hollow Ware made by the Home Comfort Range Co. is quite superior. It is like the best of the best. Stop at Morehouse, Wells & Co.'s and see this ware. It cannot be broken.

Light-weight Flannel Shirts, neatly made, perfect fits, elegant shades, well adapted for clean lookers and business men generally, at B. STINE'S.

The Bluegrass Shop will repair your carriage or wagon cheaper than elsewhere. Remember this. Repairing promptly done.

When you want to get a nice, stylish easy shoe that you can depend upon for good service, go to Barber & Baker's.

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The Old Reliable Peter Schuttler and Moline Wagons for sale by Spencer & Lehman.

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The highest clothing house in town is Cheap Charley's.

WRITE VESTS for barkeepers at B. STINE'S.

MR. AND MRS. BOWSER.

Mr. Bowser Attempts to Do the Housework for One Day.

The other morning I said I was tired, and I wished there was no such thing as housework. I suppose every housewife makes use of such expressions once in a while, but Mr. Bowser seemed greatly astounded.

"Tired of housework?" he exclaimed. "Why, Mr. Bowser, there isn't enough work in this house to keep your blood circulating properly!"

"I never get through before mid-afternoon."

"Well, it's your own fault. If I set out to chop wood with the axe-handle between my toes I can't expect to make much headway. There's something wrong in your system of taking hold of the work. My mother could do up all this work in an hour."

"Did she die of smugness?"

"What? No, indeed, Mrs. Bowser! I say it because you have no system to your work, and I can prove it."

"How?"

"I'll show you in a day or two. There's nothing mean about me. If I can learn you any thing I'll be glad to do it."

Next morning, as soon as we left the dining-room, he pulled off his coat and hung it up and said:

"Now, then, I'm going to do this work by system. You lie down on the lounge and take your comfort, and I'll have every thing cleaned up in one hour by the clock."

I obeyed orders, and he stood in the center of the room, looking around him for a spell, and then said:

"The first thing, of course, is to sweep and pick up things."

"He wheeled the chairs back in a way to make the castors rattle, rubbed the papers off the floor and tucked 'em in to the waste basket, and then ran for the carpet-sweeper. He pushed it twice around the center-table in a circle, kicked a foot-stool into a corner and triumphantly observed:

"Just four minutes, and all is done!"

"You must wipe off the windows."

"Oh, yes. Now, what else?"

"Dust those don't curtains!"
"Any thing more?"
"Shake down the two coal stoves and call the wife to fill 'em up. Then you want to wipe off the stove top."

When that had been done he began to figure up the time, but I said:

"Those nine boards must be washed and wiped dry. Then you can take a wet rag and wipe the door knobs. Then the cigar ashes must be emptied from the holder, and some matches put into the box. Then you must bring in the broom and sweep under the heavy chairs and in the corners of the room. After that I will tell you what else to do."

It was a hard dose to swallow, but he got it down and finally inquired what else should be done. It was then after ten o'clock.

"Well, the baby comes next."

"What's the matter of the baby?"

"You must wash his hands and face, change his apron, comb his hair and doctor that sore on his toe."

"Do you do that every morning?"

"Every single morning!"

He got the crumpled towel from the kitchen, made some soap-suds of bar-soap and scoured baby until he got up a squall which lasted half an hour. It took him another half hour to put on the apron, and when he came to the sore toe he applied a little axle-grease. I felt sorry for the poor thing, but I was determined not to interfere. It was now eleven o'clock, and the girl came in to get her order for dinner. I turned her over to Mr. Bowser, and he said:

"Well, Katie, exercise your own judgment. Get what you please."

When she had gone he said to me:

"There, now, the work is all done, and I haven't been three hours about it. I can do it in half the time tomorrow. The idea that you women are slaves is all nonsense. Why, I—"

"But this is only one room, Mr. Bowser. You will now take the hall."

"What's the matter with the hall?"

"It must be swept and dusted. Then you can take the parlor. Then comes the front stairs, the upper hall and our bedroom."

"Well, I'll show you that I can do it!" he said, after a moment's hesitation, and by dinner-time he had finished the hall. When we sat down to the meal there was some very tough steak, some potatoes with the hides on, and a loaf of bread and a hunk of butter sat in the center of the table. Mr. Bowser grew white as he shoved back and asked what it meant!

"It's my judgment, sir. You left it all to me," she replied.

"But you—"

"I'd be a fool to spend an hour over dinner when I've got floors to clean and windows to wash!"

"And I always spend at least twenty minutes planning the dinner with her!" I added.

Mr. Bowser nearly choked as he gulped it down. I expected he would start down as soon as he left the table, but he didn't. He took off his coat and attacked the upstairs work. It was three o'clock before he finished, and as he came down with his hair askew and his collar wilted I said:

"There's about an hour's patching and mending, and baby wants to be rocked to sleep. Then you can dress yourself to receive callers or to go shopping."

"I'll be hanged if I do!" he said as he fixed himself up to go down town. When I went up to the bedroom I found my night-dress on the bureau and his night-shirt under the bed. The foot of the mattress was six inches higher than the head, and every sheet and quilt was put on wrong. I left things as I found them, and he had scarcely got in bed that night when he growled out:

"What in Jamaica is the old thing, anyhow?"

"Why, nothing, Mr. Bowser. It lays beautifully."

I heard him growling away at intervals all night, and he was like a bear in the morning.

"Well, do you give up?" I asked as he got into his overcoat.

"Give up! Give up! What is there to give up about! I turned to yesterday and proved before your eyes that any sort of a woman ought to do the whole work before noon with one hand tied behind her; and now you want to know if I give up!"—Detroit Free Press.

A Question of Price.

Some children are bright enough to discover the crossroads to knowledge at a very early age.

"What is a diamond?" asked a teacher, recently.

"Carbon," replied the class.

"Yes, a diamond is pure carbon, but you must remember that coal is also carbon. That was taught in the last lesson."

"Yes, now."

"Now, how could you be sure to tell the difference between the two kinds of carbon?"

"Ask the price!" piped up a small boy.—Jeweler's Weekly.

In the land of pumpkin pies and elder there lived a man who had a great fondness for the latter. One day, on going to the cellar to fill the pitcher, he fell from the top to the bottom of the stairs. His wife, hearing the fall, in great alarm ran to the top of the stairs and cried out: "My dear, you haven't broke our brand new pitcher, have you?"

"No," said he, in an agony of pain from the fall, "but I'll be shot if I don't!" And suiting the action to the word, he dashed it against the wall.

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NOTICE—A lady wants to do plain sewing and mending in LaSalle. Inquire at 718 West Pecan street. L. E. W. 12-10

CAUSE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY—On April 25th, 1888, the undersigned will sell at the late residence of John W. Wolfe, deceased, all the real estate of said deceased, consisting of house, lot, and 1/2 acre, on the Taylorville road, all the property of said deceased, consisting of house, lot, and 1/2 acre, on the Taylorville road, all the property of said deceased, consisting of house, lot, and 1/2 acre, on the Taylorville road.

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Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss. In Circuit Court of Macon County—In Chancery.

To January Term, A. D. 1888. Augustine W. W. and Edna Lind vs. Abigail I. Lewis, Charles Kratzer and J. E. Jolly—Foreclosure No. 1228.

Full notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree entered at the January Term, A. D. 1888, by the said Court, in the above entitled cause, docketed at No. 1228, Master in Chancery of said Macon County, Illinois, will at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon of the day of Monday, the 7th day of May, A. D. 1888, at the west outside door of the Court House in said Macon County, sell, at public vendue, the real estate and tract, hereinafter described, real estate lying and being in the county of Macon state of Illinois, to-wit: Lots one (1) and two (2) of block three (3) of B. H. Cassel's 2d Addition to the City of Decatur.

Terms of Sale: Subject to redemption. Bated at Decatur, Illinois, this 6th day of April, A. D. 1888.

JOHN A. BROWN, Master in Chancery of Macon County, Illinois. OUTFIELD & WALL, Complainant's Solicitors. April 6-dtf

Chancery Notice.

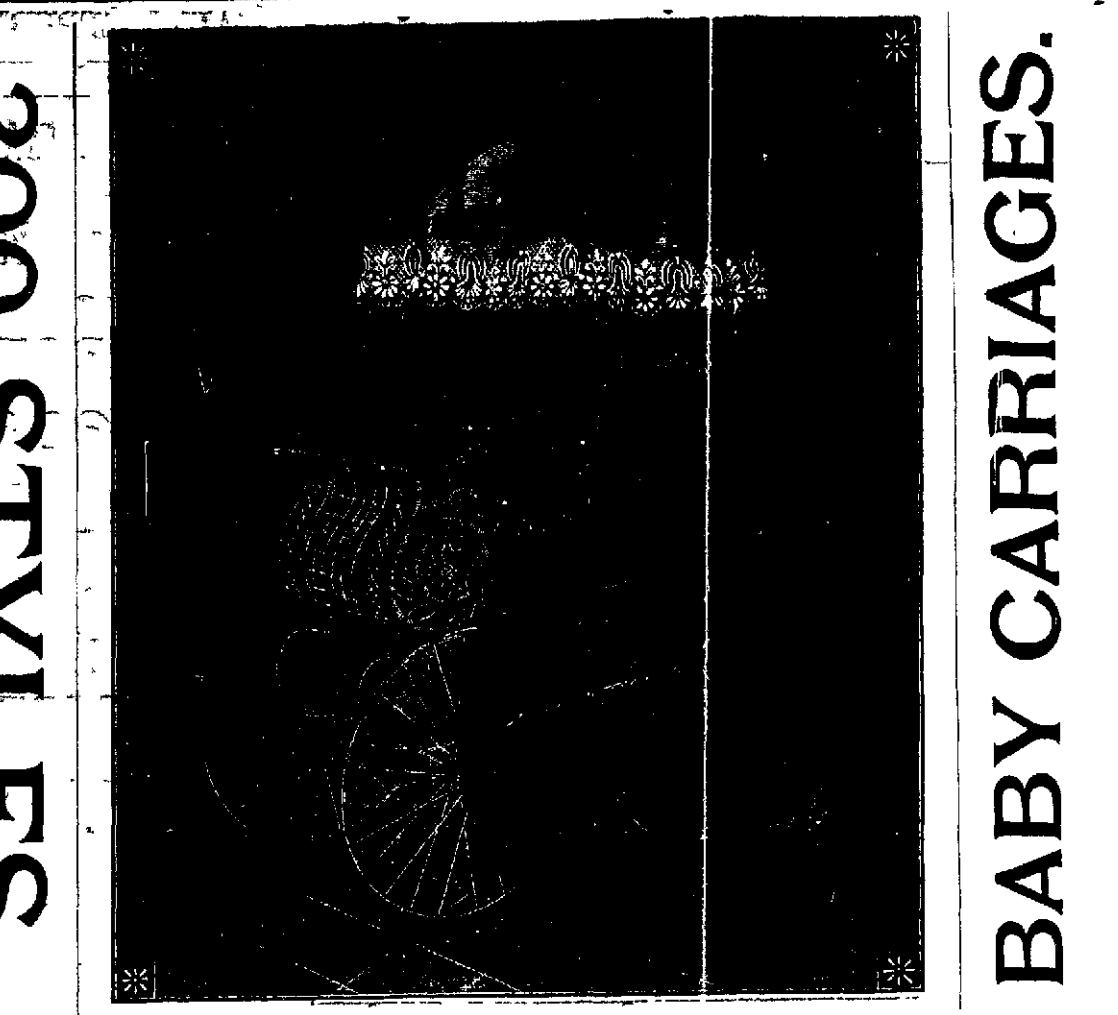
STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss. In Circuit Court of Macon County—June Term, A. D. 1888. Nancy J. Knap vs. William J. Knap—In Chancery.

Notice is hereby given to the said William J. Knap that the above-named complainant has filed her bill of complaint in said Court, on the chancery side thereof; that a summons thereupon issued, and that she has taken the above-named defendant, returnable on the first day of the next term of said Court, to be held at the Court House in Decatur, Illinois, on the first Monday of June, 1888, as to the relief required, which suit is in and against the above-named defendant.

D. P. O'NEILL, Attorney for Plaintiff. April 6-dtf

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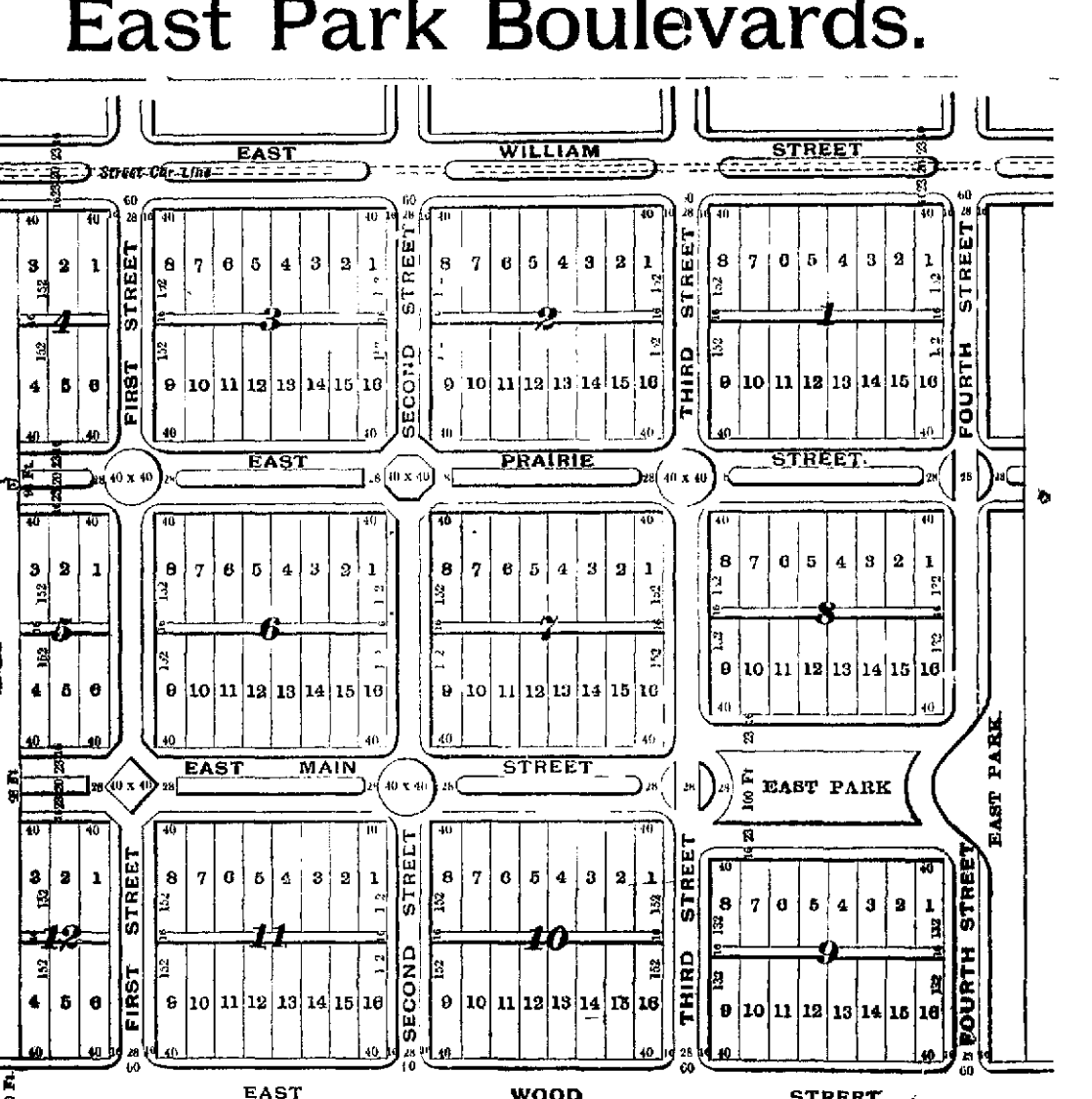
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